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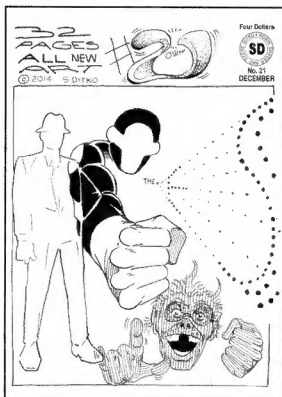
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PREVIOUSLY



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COMING ATTRACTION



The one rule of success that's so simple and elemental I have repeatedly lost sight of it: Develop a Gardner individuality in everything I do and say. This is more than a style of expression. It's a rule of substance. Get a certain "Gardner" touch. Then make every chapter, every situation, every character smack of that individual touch, and write about any plot I goddam please.

Erle Stanley Gardner,
excerpt from his papers, quoted in
Secrets of the World's Best-Selling Writer.

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...PAID KILLER...
SPOTTED..LOST
YOU...



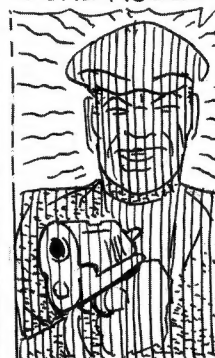
...EARLY BAD
BOYS GANG...
LIKED KILLING
FISTS...



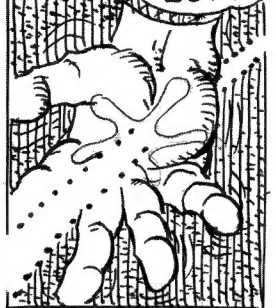
...YOU WON'T TELL
ME WHO HIRED
YOU...



...I OWE ROSIE...



...YOU WON'T BE NAB-
BED..CONVICTED..
BUT...



...UNFIT TO LIVE...



...FOR ROSIE...



...UP
TO BAGE.



WHO
HIRED
HIM...

WHAT'S
MADDER
WAITING
FOR?

WHY DOESN'T HE
DO SOMETHING...

...TO SOMEONE...
ANYONE...



...IT'S
MADDENING

OH, MY GOD...
LET'S PRAY.

PLEASE,
SOMEBODY (2

...NOT Madder.
...FINGER PRINTS...
...NEVER CRAZY CAL.
A GUN.



WHO HIRED HIM?

...PAY OFF... DOESN'T MATCH
MONEY SAMPLES... HIT
NO LEAD... TEAM ON I KE.



DIFFERENT MONEY SOURCE?

SO WHO'S BEHIND IT ALL?
WHAT'S Madder DOING?



QUESTIONS NO ANSWERS.

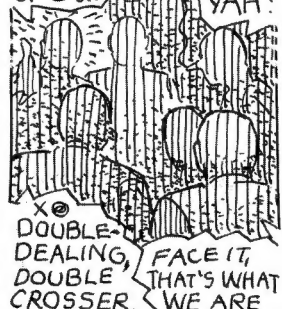
WE * SOMEONE IS
ALL AGREED PLAYING A #
TO LAY OFF LONE HAND..
ROSIE... WHY?



K's CLUB

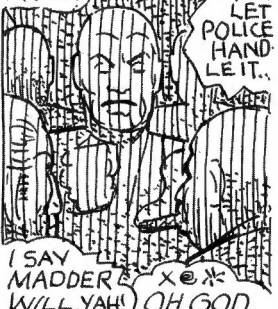
WHAT NOW? WHO KNOWS?

CRAZY! SO WE'RE ALL
NOT ONE HONEST..
OF US.. YAH!



x DOUBLE-DEALING, FACE IT,
DOUBLE THAT'S WHAT
CROSSER.. WE ARE.

WHAT NOW ALEX? NOTHING..

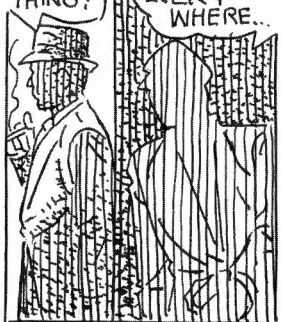


I SAY Madder *
WILL, YAH! OH, GOD..

...HAVE TO CHECK OUT OUR
SO CALLED LEADING
CITIZENS..



...NO HINT OF ANY-THING?



...FEAR...
SCARED EVERY-
WHERE..

...THERE'S A REAL
THREAT.. LEADS TO
WHERE? TO WHOM?



...EVERYONE ON EDGE...
...CLAMMING UP...
WAITING...



...OUR CIVIC LEAGUE
APPRECIATES YOUR
SUPPORTING OUR VERY
WORTHY CAUSES.
GLAD TO HELP.



A
REAL
GENTLEMAN.

...NOT
GREEDY,
SELFISH...
...WILL THIS
COVER LAST?



ALWAYS
WILLING TO SUPPORT
WORTHY CAUSES...

IN BIG CITY...

XO MADDER STILL A #
PROBLEM...

XO MADDER!
...IF ONLY...
TOO LATE!
...HAVE TO
MAKE
IT WORK
SOON...
OR...
*



@MADDER... BAGE,
POLICE NOT ONLY
WORRY...



OTHERS I HAVE
TO ANSWER TO.



OUR MAN'S
NOT
PULL-
ING
IT
OFF...

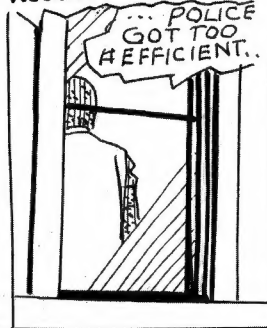
GET-
TING
OUT
OF
HAND



AND #@
STUBBORN
COP...

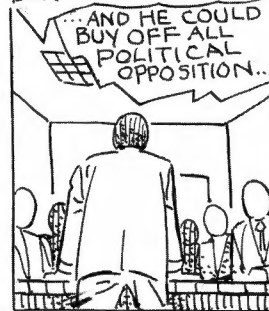
ALWAYS
SOME
THING
XO
WHY?

...FIRST # MADDER...
WOULDN'T GO ALONG...



... POLICE
GOT TOO
EFFICIENT...

...OUR MAN ASSURED
US THE DRUG ON MAD-
DER WOULD WORK...



...AND HE COULD
BUY OFF ALL
POLITICAL
OPPOSITION...

...FAILED... PROBLEM,
SITUATION GETTING
WORSE...



SHOULD WE STEP IN
DO IT OUR WAY? (4

..IT'S TIME... START..PAY OFF...BRING THEM ALL DOWN..



...HAVE TO DECIDE...
DO WHAT? HOW?



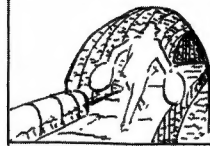
...FORGOT
TILL NOW..



...BACK WAY...
ROSIE...
ROSE...



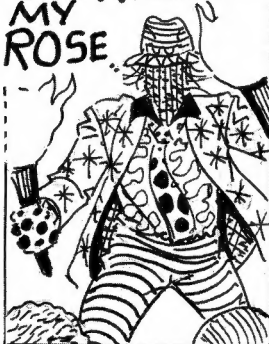
FOUND
WAY
IN..



OH, MY GOD..



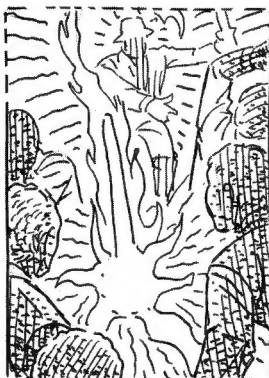
YOU KILLED
MY
ROSE.



..KILLERS..



YOU'LL ALL
PAY.



...BAGE...LATE AS USUAL,
OGIC...



THERE'S LET'S GET HIS
ALEX. STORY.



...MADDER...HAPPENED
SO FAST...TRIED TO
PROTECT ROSIE...
HONEST...NOT MY
FAULT...



...GOTTA PROTECT
IF YOU TALK... ME...



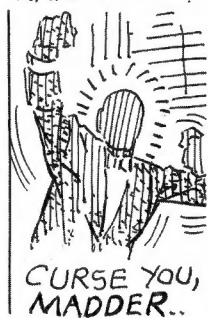
XX- BIG
SET BACK...
#MADDER...



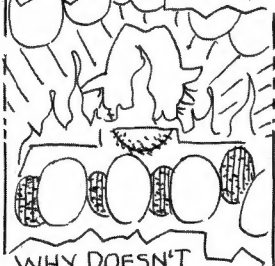
...BLOWING
UP IN MY
FACE...



...TRAPPED...*
CITY BOSSES
WARNED ME...



IT'S START- HOW
ING... WILL IT
END?



WHY DOESN'T
SOMEBODY DO
SOMETHING?

...HE
PASSED
CLUB
SECURITY...
MAD...BUT
NOT STUPID.



MORE
WILD, DESTRUCTIVE...

WE HAVE ONLY WAY,
TO PRO- KILL
TECT OUR- MADDER...
SELVES



...SOMEHOW... 19

..POLICE WILL
WANT TO QUEST-
ION ME.. HAVE
TO GET OUT OF
TOWN..



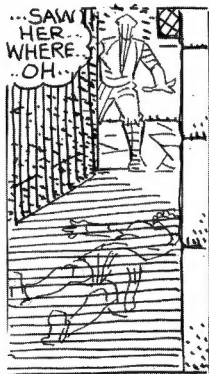
..WAY OUT..



..NO
LOOSE
ENDS..



...SAW
HER...
WHERE...
..OH..



..WORKED / OR AGAINST
WITH ROSIE.. HER..



WHAT DID SHE KNOW?
DANGEROUS?
TO SOMEONE? GOT WRONG
KIND OF
PAY OFF..



...NOT A
MUGG-
ING... ..NEED A
GOOD CHECK
ON HER..



CAN'T STOP NOW..



ATROCITIES
MASS KILLINGS
WAR
TERRORISM
UPRISINGS

HO-HUM... RIOTING...
...SHOOTINGS...
...KILLINGS...
BORING...

HOSTAGE
SITUATION
PIRACY
STABBING
CORRUPT
TREASON



X # @ * *
...DITKO
DID THIS
MONSTROSITY
INHUMANE,
VILE...



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I DEAL IN
STOLEN ART

I DEAL IN SMEARS,
BAD MOUTHING...

I'M
PARA-
SITICAL
ON OTHERS...

I'M the
BIGGEST
ANTI-
HERO
FAN..

I
Champion
anti-Justice
Standards

... FOR
ADMIRABLE
VILLAINS...

THE P MASK



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...I JUST NEED ONLY ONE
BREAK... JUST ONE...



...NOT FAIR...

...I'D DO GOOD... HELP
PEOPLE...



...NOT FAIR... NO ONE
GIVES ME
CHANCE...
BREAK...



...IF ONLY SOME WAY...
ANY WAY...
DO ANY-
THING
TO...



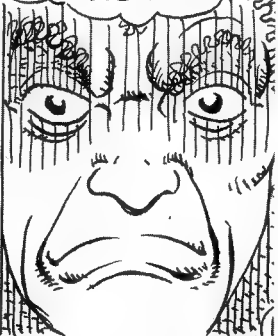
...HUH...!?

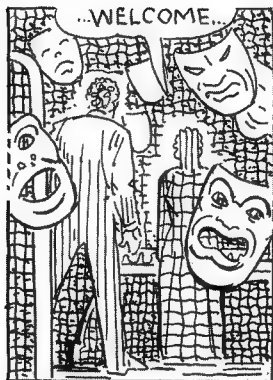


...IS... IS IT POSSIBLE?
I... I WONDER...
...WHAT IF...



...WHAT DO I HAVE TO
LOSE...





YES! I CAN SEE, KNOW
CLEARLY HOW TO
SUCCEED. YES!



HE CHOSE HIS DESTINY.



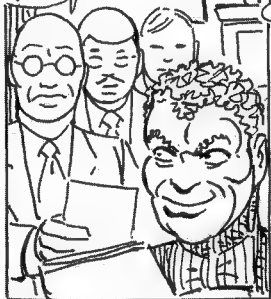
...SOUNDS
RADICAL... BUT... YES...
WAY OUT... YES... IT IS
POSSIBLE



WE'LL TRY... WORTH
IT... THE
SMALL
RISKS.



...STILL, IF
IT DOES
FAIL... HA! HA! IT
CAN'T.



YES! IT'S
GOING
OVER
WELL... SOON
NICE, STEADY
PROFITS...
BEATING
COMPETITION...



...THE MASK... IT'S
DELIVERING...



...I CAN'T BE STOPPED!

THEN
ONLY A SMALL
RISE... ARE WE
SLIPPING?



I THINK WE SHOULD
MAKE ADJUSTMENTS.



BE
SAFER...
YES.

NO! (3)

'A NATURAL FLUXATION.
NO CAUSE TO WORRY..
PANIC!

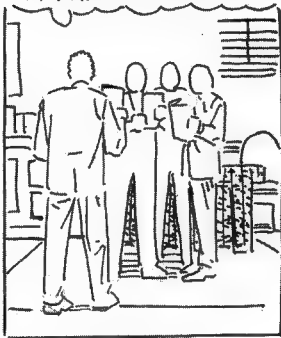
HMM.. COULD
YES.. BE



... GUARANTEED...
...MASK GUARANTEED..



...I CAN'T FAIL...NO!
THEY'RE SCARED FOOLS.



...MORE [BAD] GETTING
NEG- SERIOUS.
ATIVES... NO!



...IT'S A DOWN-
WARD TREND..

...STICK TO MY
PLAN!



HOW? WHEN
LONG? TOO
LATE! ...IF...
IF..



A
RISK
BOTH
WAYS..

...TREND
IS
DOWN..

WE'RE
LOS-
ING...



...IF ADJUSTMENTS NOT
MADE SOON...TOO LATE
TO CORRECT...

FALL
BE-
HIND...



BUT MY IDEAS CAN'T
FAIL.. GUARANTEED!
... STILL AHEAD...



...MASK
INVINCIBLE.

...SHOULD HAVE FAITH. WE HAVE PROFITTED! STILL AHEAD...



NEXT REPORT WILL DECIDE. YES! THEN...



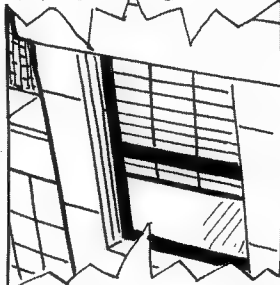
THEY'LL LEARN NOT TO DOUBT ME!



THE MASK HAS TO KNOW... CAN'T FAIL ME!

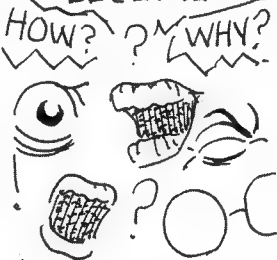


...ANOTHER BIG-LOSS GEST...



NO! CAN'T BE..!?

...CONTINUING DECLINE...



CAN SOON LOSE ALL OUR GAINS...

WHY? WHY? WHY?



WE'RE LOSING OUR DOMINANCE } OTHERS CATCHING UP..



...COULD BE OVERTAKEN.. LOSE ALL WELL...



YOU'LL HAVE TO RE-
GAIN THE LEAD...
KEEP IT...



HOW COULD THIS ALL
HAPPEN... MASK... IT
MADE US WINNER...



...MASK GUARANTEED..



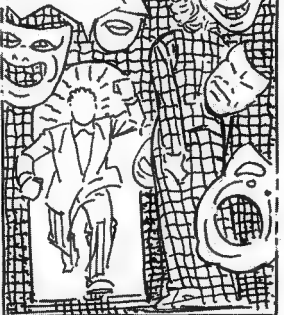
--GUARANTEED TO
SOLVE MY PROBLEMS..



...GUARANTEED..



WHY? WHY
FAIL ME..



--YOU GUARANTEED...
PROMISED...
A DEAL...



WHY IS YOUR MASK
FAILING ME?
WHY?



WHO FAILED?
THE MASK MADE
YOU SUCCEED... LEAD...
--BUT..



...IT WAS UP TO YOU
TO DEAL WITH THE
NEW PROBLEMS...



THE MASK SUCCEEDED
AS AGREED...BUT...



...YOU...



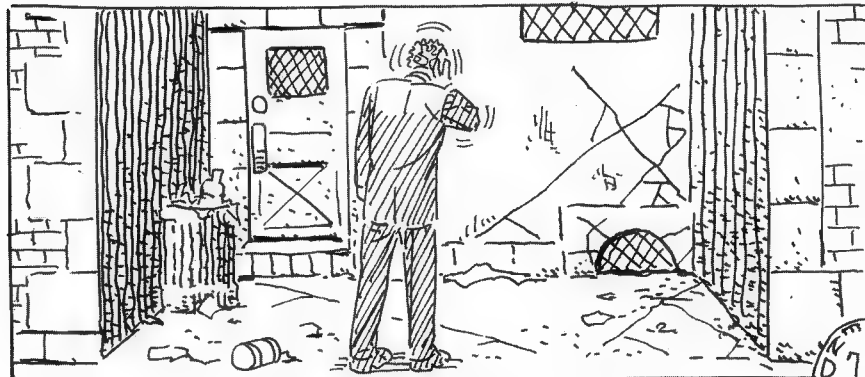
...YOU...



...FAILED...



...THE MASK...



HA! HA! JOKES GOING AROUND HA! HA!



HA! HA!

TO DISCREDIT GREAT
ACHIEVEMENT...
SET UP STANDARDS FOR THE
MEDIOCRE.



HA!
HA!

WE DO NOT ATTEMPT
TO ACQUIRE VIRTUES
OF A HERO

WE STRIVE TO GIVE
HEROES OUR
VICES.

A FAKE, FALSE
PREMISE LEADS TO GREATER
FALSEHOODS
BLACKER EVIL...
TOTAL DESTRUCTION

HA!
HA!

HA!

HA!

THERE IS EVIL BUT NO EVIL MEN.

THERE IS FORCE BUT NO INITIATORS.
VIOLENCE

THERE ARE WRONGS BUT NO WRONG DOERS.

THERE ARE LIES BUT NO LIARS.

THERE ARE ACTIONS BUT NO ACTING
ENTITIES.

THERE ARE ABSTRACTIONS,
BUT NO CONCRETES

MISTAKES WERE MADE

BUT
NO MAKERS OF MISTAKES



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...AND... I... NEVER
INVESTED...



...AND... XO THEY
REALLY PAID
OFF BIG..XO#



...ALLY... AH, WELL, THEY
MY TIPS... DIDN'T ALL PAN
OUT...



...STILL... HIS FAULT,
NOT MINE...



...HAS TO BE... HIS FAULT...
HIS...



...NO.. NOT... NOT
MINE...



...SURE... YAH, SURE,
SURE... ALL HIS
HIS... FAULT...



...NEVER... WELL THERE
MY... THERE HE
IS...



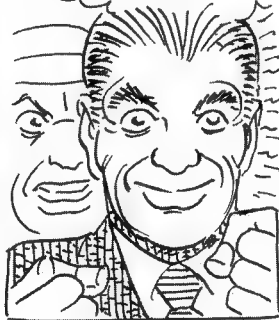
...ILL... ILL FIX HIM...



I'll... PUSH HIM OUT
INTO THE TRAF-
FIC... BUS... CAR...



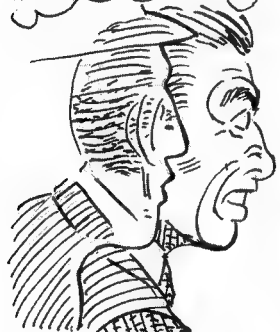
I'll... MAKE IT LOOK
LIKE AN ACCI-
DENT... YAH...



I HAVE... PAY HIM BACK...
TO... NOT FAIR TO ME...



...IT'S... MY FAULT... NO...
NOT...



...I GOT TO DO IT...



...THEN I'LL BE... BE... BE...?



...BE A DIRTY... COLD
BLOODED KILLER...
...K... NO... NO...

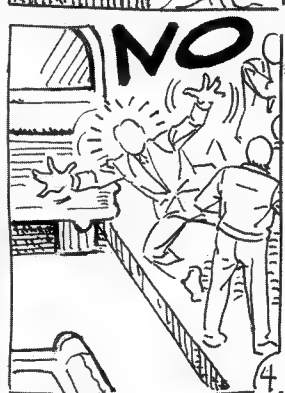
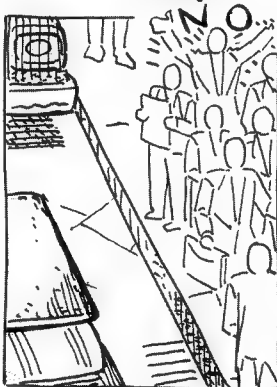
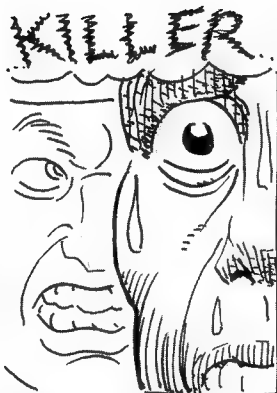


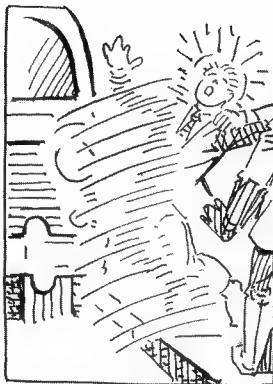
...KILLER... COLD...
...NO... NOT...



YES, KILLER...
KILLER...







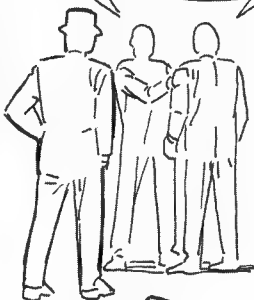
...LOU... (WHAT HAPPENED, ED?



... NOISE ...LIGHTS... FELT DIZZY, CONFUSED... OFF BALANCE...



...Y...YOU SAVED ME... GLAD I DID... BEEN TRYING TO REACH YOU...



...I GOT A GREAT DEAL FOR US... EQUAL PARTNERS...



WE'LL CLEAN UP... BIG... TWO OF US...



DITKO'S
HERO

The HEAD HUNTERS

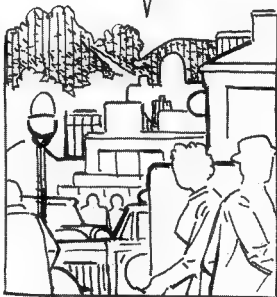
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I'M GOING TO BE THE ONE TO
KILL HERO...

THE GANGS PITCHED
IN AND HIRED THEM...



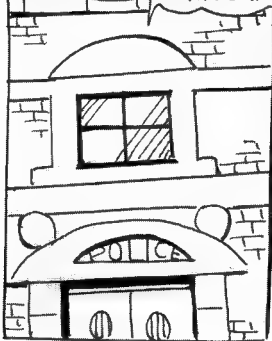
...ONE HAS TO KILL THAT
7 X 0 # HERO...



...WHO DO YOU BET ON?



...WE CAN'T DO ANY-
THING...



...GANGLAND TERRITORY
NOT SAFE...



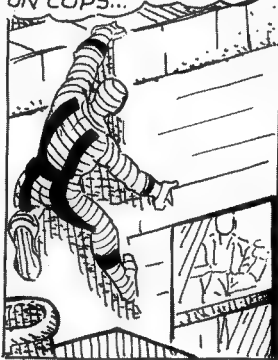
...BUT IT'S WHERE HERO
GOES...



...THE RAPPER MOB...!
NEED A
LESSON...



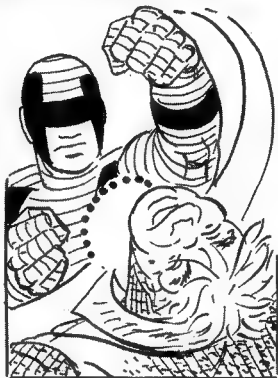
...PLAYING DIRTY TRICKS
ON COPS...



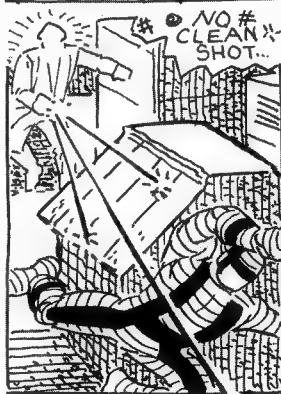
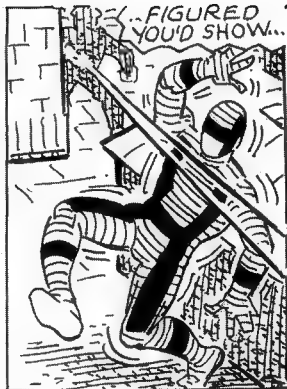
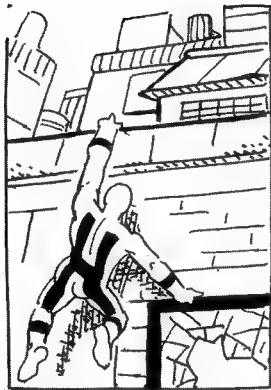
YAH!#JERKED THOSE*
JERKS AROUND...YAH*
BUT GOOD..HA! HA! HA!

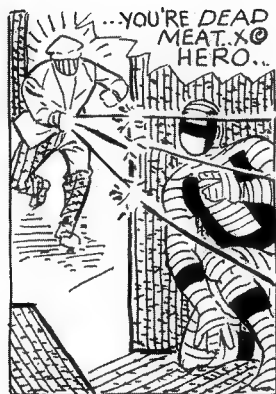


...KEEP*DOING IT..YAH.#

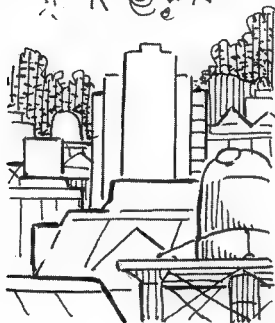


LAY OFF
ANTI-
POLICE
STUNTS!





...ALL BETTING ON HIM
LOSE
@ * - * * *



...LOT OF
HIGH-
JACK-
ING...

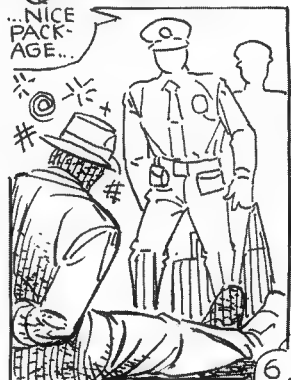
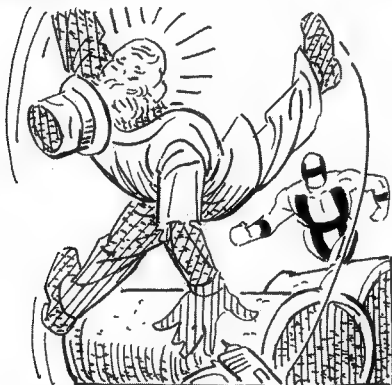
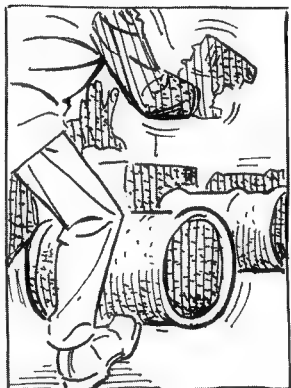
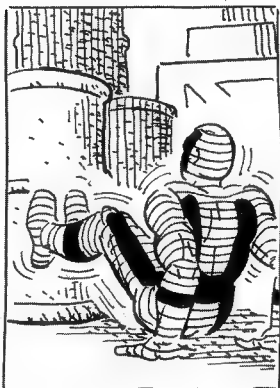


...SMUGGLING GANG
OPERATING...

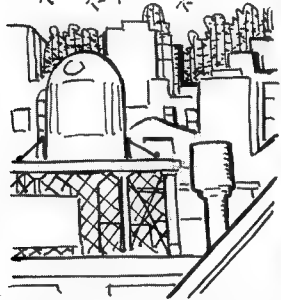


* HE'S
MINE...!





'EVERYONE! I THOUGHT
ON HIM... * SURE
LOST... * THING...
* * * * *



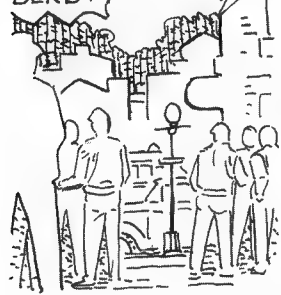
...UP TO ME... A CLASS
ACT...



...HAD A PLAN FOR THIS
SITUATION...
WILL
WORK...



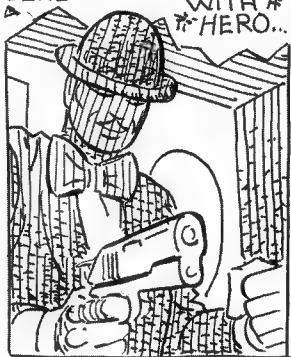
YAH! LOT OF... AND THE
TALK ABOUT... BRRR... ICE
KILLER DERBY MOB...



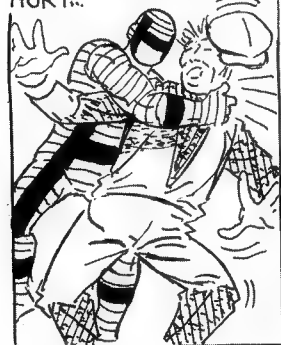
...THINK HERO... YAH! #
WILL FALL FOR IT? LIKES TO
SHOW OFF!



DERBY WILL DEAL WITH #
HERO...



...RELAX OR GET
HURT...



...YOU KNOW WHAT'S
PLANNED... * S... SOME
TRAP...



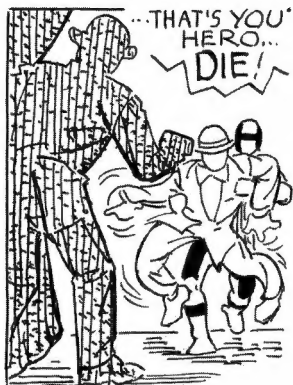
...NATURALLY... WHERE?
HOW?



...ONLY
KNOW...



...A...A DUMMY..



...THAT'S YOU
HERO...
DIE!



...THAT TAKES
CARE OF
ALL THE
DUMMIES.



...AND
WE
ALL
LOST
X # 欠
@ #
@ #



NOT ME!
I BET ON
HERO...
BIG WINNER.
HA! HA! HA!



YOU #!!
X @ #!!
X @ #!!

AH!
OWN!
AH!

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